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© AP Photo / Susan WalshSen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., talks about the the Build Back Better bill during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington, Friday, Dec. 10, 2021.

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"The only way this ends is for somebody in Russia to take this guy out. You would be doing your country - and the world - a great service", Lindsey Graham wrote.

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"Unless you want to live in darkness for the rest of your life, be isolated from the rest of the world in abject poverty, and live in darkness you need to step up to the plate", he wrote.

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